

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A system comprising:

one or more remote sites, each remote site having client content providers, the remote site comprising:

~~one or more first servers storing digital content from a client,~~

an ingest server ingesting ~~[[the]]~~ digital content from a ~~[[the]]~~ client content provider, one or more ~~[[an]]~~ ingest queue servers from a central site geographically remote from the remote site directing transfer of the ingested digital content from the ingest server to the one or more first servers based on information identifying the client content provider of the ingested digital content,

the one or more first servers storing the ingested digital content, and

in response to a ~~digital content~~ user request, at least one media server providing at least a portion of the stored digital content to the user; and

the central site comprising the one or more ingest queue servers ~~directing transfer of the client's digital content from the ingest server to one or more of the first servers based on client identifying information.~~

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 1, wherein each client content provider is associated with a particular remote site, the particular remote site storing digital content of the client content provider.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 1, wherein the ~~client identifying~~ information identifying the client content provider of the ingested digital content includes a location, the remote site proximate to the location.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 3 wherein the location is a location of probable users of the client content provider's digital content, the remote site and the client content provider's digital content thus proximate to the location of probable users.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 3 further comprising:
associating a character set within a language with the ~~[[a]]~~ remote site; and
using the associated character set in connection with the digital content at the remote site.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The system of claim ~~[[I]]~~ 1 wherein the one or more remote sites comprise at least two or more remote sites that have a relationship to each other based on geographic location.

Claim 7 (Original): The system of claim 6 wherein transfer of digital content is based on the relationship between the two or more remote sites.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 1, wherein each remote site further comprises:

one or more second servers for managing digital content at the remote site; and
~~one or more storage servers configured to store digital content received by the remote~~
~~site; and~~
wherein the at least one or more media server~~[[s]]~~ is coupled to the one or more first at
~~least one of the storage servers, the at least one or more media server~~~~[[s]]~~ is configured to receive
the user ~~[[a]]~~ request to access an item of digital content from a user and in response to the
request, and to read the at least a portion of item of the stored digital content ~~stored on the at least~~
~~one storage server.~~

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 1 wherein the ~~client identifying~~ information
identifying the client content provider of the ingested digital content is a location of the client
content provider.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 1 wherein the ~~client identifying information~~ identifying the client content provider of the ingested digital content is an amount of digital content ~~of that the client content provider has transferred.~~

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): The system of claim 1 wherein the central site further comprises:
one or more first servers configured to receive digital content and make digital content available to users.

Claim 12 (Original): The system of claim 1 wherein transfer of digital content is caused by a user's request to experience the content.

Claim 13 (Currently Amended): A method comprising:

receiving, at a central site geographically remote from a remote site, information about digital content ~~of at a central site from~~ a client content provider and information identifying the client content provider;

~~analyzing identifying information of the client content provider;~~

uploading the digital content from the client content provider to an ingest server at ~~[[a]]~~ the remote site ;

directing, by an ingest queue server at the central site geographically remote from the remote site and based on the information identifying the client content provider, transfer of the ingested digital content from the ingest server to another server at the remote site ~~based on client identifying information for storage by the other server~~; and

in response to a ~~digital content~~ user request, providing at least a portion of the stored request digital content to the user via a media server at the remote site's ~~media server~~.

Claim 14 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 13, wherein there are a plurality of remote sites and each client content provider is associated with a particular remote site of the plurality, the particular remote site storing digital content of the client content provider.

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 13, wherein the ~~client identifying~~ information identifying the client content provider of the ingested digital content includes a location, the remote site being proximate to the location.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 15 wherein the location is a location of probable users of the client content provider's digital content, the remote site and the client content provider's digital content thus being proximate to the location of probable users.

Claim 17 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 15 further comprising:
associating a character set within a language with the ~~[[a]]~~ remote site; and
using the associated character set in connection with the digital content at the remote site.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 13 wherein the two or more remote site~~[[s]]~~ has ~~have~~ a relationship to at least one other remote site ~~each other~~ based on geographic location.

Claim 19 (Original): The method of claim 13 wherein transfer of digital content is based on the relationship between the two or more remote sites.

Claim 20 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 13, further comprising:
managing the digital content by one or more management servers at the remote site; and
storing digital content ~~received by the remote site~~; and
receiving, by the at least one media server, the user ~~[[a]]~~ request ~~and to access an item of~~
digital content ~~from a user and in response to the request~~, reading the at least a portion of the
stored ~~item of~~ digital content in response.

Claim 21 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 13 wherein the ~~client-identifying~~ information identifying the client content provider of the ingested digital content is a ~~[[the]]~~ location of the client.

Claim 22 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 13 wherein the ~~client-identifying~~ information identifying the client content provider of the ingested digital content is ~~an~~ ~~[[the]]~~ amount of digital content of that the client content provider has transferred.

Claim 23 (Original): The method of claim 13 further comprising:
receiving digital content at the central site;
making the digital content available to users from the central site.

Claim 24 (Original): The method of claim 13 wherein transfer of digital content is in response to a request from a user to experience the content.

Claim 25 (Currently Amended): The method of claim 24 wherein ~~the transfer is to a~~ remote site is located proximate to the user making the request.

Claims 26-42 (Cancelled)